

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1600

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the members and coaches of the Mount Pisgah Christian Academy Lady Patriots basketball team upon winning the TACS TAACS Division I state championship.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should salute those student athletes who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as true champions of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary group of young athletes is the Mount Pisgah Christian Academy Lady Patriots basketball team, whose members have all proven themselves to be the fiercest of competitors and truly worthy of admiration by winning the 2022 Tennessee Association of Christian Schools (TACS) Tennessee Athletic Association of Christian Schools (TAACS) Division I state championship; and

WHEREAS, a powerhouse basketball program in the State of Tennessee, the Mount Pisgah Lady Patriots won the state championship for the seventh consecutive year and placed runner-up in the 2022 National Association of Christian Athletes National Tournament, finishing their tremendous season with a record of 25-12; and

WHEREAS, the members of this state champion squad are Ivy Tilson, Adyson Walls, Carlee Foster, Hadley Walls, Brooklyn Foster, Kaylynn Walls, Jerra Jones, Jessalyn Howard, and Mattie Beard; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Patriots were supported in their championship efforts by the members of the Junior Varsity/Middle School team, namely Addison Bradshaw, Chloe Garret, Briley Foster, Gracie Wilson, Alejandra Rodriguez, Kaylee Sanchez, and Lydia Lamb, who posted a season record of 17-3; and

WHEREAS, Mount Pisgah's superb victory may not have been possible without the stellar leadership of their head coach, Andrew Walls, and assistant coaches, Jarrod Howard and Kendra Walls, and the support of scorekeeper and statistician, Tracy Webster; and

WHEREAS, throughout their championship season, the Mount Pisgah Lady Patriots were buoyed by the enthusiastic support of everyone associated with Mount Pisgah Christian Academy, including Pastor Garvan W. Walls, Principal Carl Broschious, and their countless fans and respective families; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Mount Pisgah Christian Academy girls' basketball team epitomize all that is good in today's student athletes, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character in all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible a championship season but also surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to pause in their deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Mount Pisgah Christian Academy Lady Patriots basketball team on their championship season; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend the members and coaches of the Mount Pisgah Christian Academy Lady Patriots basketball team upon winning the TACS TAACS Division I state championship and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to

the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.